

Counseling & Testing Bulletin – November 9, 2006

Re: Rapid HIV Testing Procedures Guide & Forms - UPDATE

Audience: All agencies - conducting Rapid HIV Testing & Counseling

The latest versions of the Rapid HIV Testing Procedures Guide v1.3 and forms have been loaded to the HIV Prevention Program web site. http://health.utah.gov/cdc/hiv_testing.htm

Notable changes to this version of the guidance are listed below. Please refer to the Guide for a full description of the changes and their effect on daily operations.

1. Control Kit Expiration Date Page 9
 - ▶ After first use control kits are stable for up to eight weeks, when properly refrigerated
2. Clinic Flow Page 11
 - ▶ One step Vs. two step client counseling session
3. Setting Up Your Lab – Flow chart Page 13
 - ▶ Quality Assurance – Day of Test Logs, data collection forms
4. Temperature Evaluation Page 14
 - ▶ Lab & specimen collection area temperature range changed to 15°-37°C or 59°-99°F. However, the maximum storage temperature cap for test kits remains at 27°C or 80°F
5. When To Run Controls Page 14
 - ▶ New guidelines for one-office testing location or outreach testing locations
6. Data Collection Form. Page 24
 - ▶ The “purple bubble sheet” will be phased out during the year 2007 and a new form used
7. Preliminary & Indeterminate Result - LOG
 - ▶ No longer required

Thank you for your continued support. Please direct your questions or concerns to Rob Sonoda at rsonoda@utah.gov or 801/538-6987.